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Examiner: K. Thangavelu

For: SIMULATION APPARATUS, SIMULATION METHOD AND COMPUTER-READABLE  
RECORDING MEDIUM HAVING SIMULATION PROGRAM RECORDED THEREON AS  
WELL AS DESIGNING SUPPORTING APPARATUS

**LETTER TO THE EXAMINER SUBMITTING**  
**CORRECTED FORMAL DRAWINGS**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

ATTENTION: OFFICIAL DRAFTSPERSON

Sir:

In accordance with the requirement in Paper No(s). 10, mailed October 24, 2002,  
wherein the Examiner approved the proposed drawing corrections filed on March 16, 1999  
and/or required that corrected formal drawings be filed to overcome the objections to the  
drawings in the draftspersons' drawing review, applicants herewith submit one (1) sheet of  
corrected formal drawings for filing in the subject application.

It is respectfully requested that the corrected formal drawing filed herewith be entered in  
the above-referenced application.

Respectfully submitted,

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